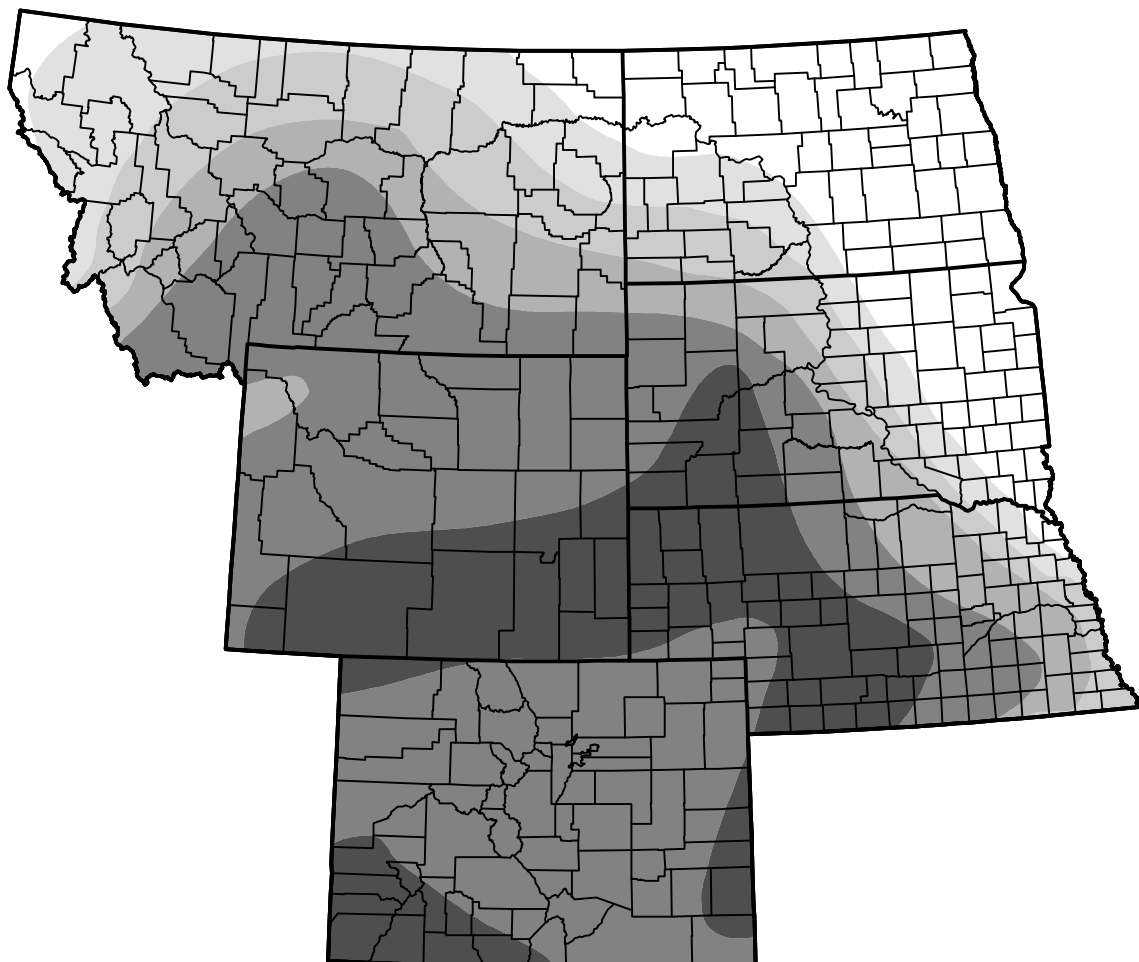


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	14.56	8.99	9.65	10.28	38.32	18.19
Last Week <i>08-13-2002</i>	14.70	9.12	9.24	10.41	38.42	18.10
3 Months Ago <i>05-21-2002</i>	15.17	22.45	9.50	16.02	33.66	3.20
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	29.07	26.52	12.36	14.72	17.34	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2001</i>	46.53	19.62	4.86	12.80	16.18	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-21-2001</i>	57.25	10.60	8.34	11.31	12.51	0.00

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate Drought	 D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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